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Statement of the Pierre Auger Collaboration as input for the European Particle Physics Strategy Update 2018 - 2020

There is large overlap in the research interests of the European particle physics community and the Pierre Auger Collaboration and there is a remarkable complementarity of the measurement principles and information accessible at accelerators and the Auger Observatory. With this statement, we provide input to the European Particle Physics Strategy Update 2018 - 2020. We strongly encourage very close interaction and collaboration of the particle physics and astroparticle physics communities with respect to experimental, theoretical, instrumental, computational, and organizational activities and indicate the expected benefits for both communities. Examples for joint projects are outlines.

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